

I am an XM Radio subscriber and am writing in support of XM and satellite radio in general. It is a service that I gladly pay for and enjoy. It offers me a great variety and quality that is not available with broadcast radio and has not been provided by broadcast radio for years. I travel for a living via, car and find the XM Instant Traffic and Weather reports very valuable in my travels. I don't have to search the local air waves and hope to find a traffic and weather report. One push of a button and I have that information right now.

As I stated above, I choose to pay for my radio content, just as I do my television content and it should not be up to the National Association of Broadcasters to tell me what I should be permitted to hear. It should be up to the local broadcast radio stations to upgrade their services and provide content that people want to hear, not attack satellite radio providers for providing the content that it's customers want to hear and are willing to pay for.

I urge respectfully urge the FCC to reject the NAB's petition, 04-160 and to support XM's ability to provide the kinds of programming that I pay for, demand and deserve.

Best regards,

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